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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR CUSTOMS CLARIFICATION ON CANDIED
PEANUTS

REFERENCE: PORT OF SPAIN 2813

1. CUSTOMS HAS INFORMED DEPARTMENT THAT SHIPMENT HAS BEEN
RELEASED TO CONSIGNEE, WHO IS HOLDING GOODS PENDING
CLASSIFICATION FOR ASSESSMENT OF CUSTOMS DUTIES. SAMPLE
HAS BEEN ROUTINELY FORWARDED TO WASHINGTON FOR EXAMINATION
AND CLASSIFICATION. THIS PROCEDURE NORMALLY REQUIRES A
MINIMUM OF TWO OR THREE WEEKS. IMPORTER IS, HOWEVER,
PERMITTED TO SELL GOODS PRIOR TO DECISION.

2. CUSTOMS MUST DETERMINE WHETHER GOODS SHOULD BE CLASSI-
FIED AS PEANUTS OR AS CONFECTIONARY AND WHETHER DUTY WILL
BE 7 CENTS PER POUND ON PEANUTS OR 7 PER CENT AD VALOREM
ON CONFECTIONARY. PEANUTS ARE SUBJECT TO IMPORT QUOTA,
BUT CUSTOMS INFORMS US THAT QUOTA IS PRESENTLY OPEN. THERE
WOULD BE NO PROBLEM WITH IMPORT RESTRICTIONS BECAUSE U.S.
GROWN PEANUTS WOULD NOT BE SUBJECT TO DUTY AND, IF CLASSI-
FIED AS CONFECTIONARY, THEY WOULD NOT BE SUBJECT TO QUOTA.

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